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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yukio Watanabe et al.) Group Art Unit: 1722
Application No.: 10/019,658)
Examiner: BRUENJES, Christopher P.
Filed: January 2, 2002)
For: HARDNESS TAPER TUBE AND)
PRODUCTION METHOD AND)
DEVICE THEREFOR)
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of July 21, 2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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